## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/528794 Confirmation No. 9163

Applicant : Osamu Ishigami et al.

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Examiner : Lois L. Zheng

Title : METHOD FOR PASSIVATING STAINLESS STEEL

PRODUCT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING

STAINLESS STEEL SEPARATOR FOR FUEL CELL

Docket No. : SHM-15962

Customer No. : 040854

## AMENDMENT "D"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20090630)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2009. The three month period for responding to the Office Action expired on October 6, 2009. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests and petitions that the response date be extended, for two (2) months, to December 6, 2009. The \$490 extension of time fee is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.